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SUPPLEMENTAL INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT (IDS)

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Dear Sir:

Pursuant to 37 CFR 1.56, the attention of the Patent and Trademark Office is hereby directed to the reference indicated on the attached PTO/SB/08. It is respectfully requested that the information be expressly considered during the prosecution of this application, and that the references be made of record therein and appear among the "References Cited" on any patent to issue therefrom.

A copy of the foreign references indicated on PTO/SB/08 is attached.

The undersigned certifies that each item of information contained in the information disclosure statement was cited in a communication from a foreign patent office in a counterpart foreign application not more than three months prior to the filing of the information disclosure statement; the applicants became aware of the cited documents from an office action issued on September 4, 2009 in a corresponding Chinese Patent Application No. 200480021677.8 and in accordance with 37 CFR 1.97 (e)(1), herewith submit the documents for the Examiner's consideration.

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The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any deficiency in the fees asserted to be filed or which should have been filed herewith (or with any paper hereafter filed in this application by this firm) to our Deposit Account No. 50-0624, under Order No. KIT-405-US. A duplicate copy of this paper is enclosed.

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